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Sir:

Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for consideration.

**Amendments**

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please replace the paragraphs beginning at page 1, line 29 and ending at page 3, line**

**10, with the following paragraphs:**

Descriptions of biochemical and regulatory pathways are available from a number of well known academic and research organizations. An exemplary listing of such pathways can be found in US patent application Serial number 09/371,146, the entirety of which is herein incorporated herein by reference, see especially pages 1-312. Additionally, several web sites and databases contain information pertaining to biochemical pathways and regulatory pathways.

Examples of such web sites include: cgsc.biology.yale.edu (the CGSC maintains a database of *E. coli* genetic information, including genotypes and reference information for the strains in the CGSC collection, gene names, properties, and linkage map, gene product information, and information on specific mutations); www.labmed.umn.edu (the University of Minnesota's

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